

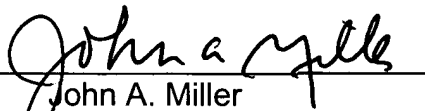
20. (Currently Amended) The ~~transfer case~~ gear box assembly according to claim 16 wherein the transfer case provides an underdrive gear ratio or an overdrive gear ratio selected from the group consisting of 2.64:1, 1.61:1, 0.60:1, 0.40:1, 2.48:1, 1.67:1 and 0.60:1.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 remain pending in this application. By the above amendment, a few informalities in the claims have been corrected. These corrections are non-narrowing amendments that do not go to the patentability of the invention. It is believed that this application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that personal contact with Applicant's representative would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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